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LOCAL LAWMAKER NAMED LEGISLATOR OF THE YEAR

Rep. Warren Petersen Receives Honor from National Organization Representing Small Businesses

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX (Wednesday, June 10, 2015) - Each year the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB) recognizes legislators who are considered the biggest proponents of small business. This year, Representative Warren Petersen, R-Gilbert, has been named Legislator of the Year for his work to "protect small businesses from excessive regulation". On June 1st 2015 Governor Ducey held a signing ceremony for seven regulatory reform bills - four of the bills signed were Petersen's, including one that eliminated a state agency.

"Rep. Warren Petersen has already made a significant and positive mark on Arizona in only one session as Chairman of the House Commerce Committee," said Farrell Quinlan, Arizona state director for NFIB. "His House Bill 2213 makes Arizona the first state in the nation to require regulators to offer small business owners a chance to fix rules infractions before they are hit by heavy regulatory fines and citations. Warren Petersen knows our small businesses are the engines of growth and prosperity and that fact is the hallmark of his outstanding service and leadership in the Arizona Legislature."

"I'm passionate about regulatory reform, it's one of the biggest reasons I ran for office," Petersen said. "The United States has fallen from the top 10 in the world in economic freedom. I can't control what happens in the rest of the country, but I will do everything I can to make sure we have free markets and cut red tape in Arizona."

Petersen is the Arizona House Commerce Committee Chairman.

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